FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

United States
Department of
Agriculture

Agricultural Marketing Service

DATE: March 6, 2002

PURCHASE AND OFFER TO BUY: FROZEN COOKED DICED CHICKEN

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 1,200,000 pounds of frozen cooked diced chicken at a cost of approximately \$2,260,000 for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds Accepted	Award Prices Inv. No. 16	No. of Bids Accepted	
diced chicken	1,200,000	\$1.8550-\$1.9142	3 of 3	

As announced by the Department on August 27, purchases of diced chicken produced from light fowl meat will continue to help alleviate economic pressures experienced by producers and bring supplies more in balance with market demand. Therefore, offers will be invited for an additional purchase of diced chicken. Product must be produced under the Commodity Specification for Frozen Cooked Diced Chicken dated July 1999, as amended; however, the diced chicken must be produced from light fowl (4.5 pounds or less) meat.

Total purchases of frozen cooked diced chicken since the program was announced June 18, 2001, follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
diced chicken	12,040,000	\$21,964,000
diced chicken **Produced from light for	1,200,000 owl**	\$ 2,260,000

Next offers under Announcement PY-249 are due by 12 noon, Central Time, on the following date:

Inv. Number	Product Type	Offer Date	Acceptance Not Later Than Date	Delivery Period
17	diced chicken	Mar. 18	Mar. 22	May 1-15

to be produced from light fowl

As stated in the September 21 Notice to the Trade, all offers must be submitted electronically through the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES) website at https://pcsd.usda.gov:3077/mdbc1000.exe?. Offers submitted on and after October 1, 2001, by any means other than DEBES will be considered nonresponsive.

Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, D.C. 20250. An electronic version of this Food Purchase Report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp.

The awards for frozen cooked diced chicken made today under Announcement PY-249, Invitation 16, to be delivered from Apr. 16 to Apr. 30, follow:

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY249

COMM GROUP : CHICKEN, FROZEN

INVITATION : 016

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN

PACK SIZE : 40 LB CTN

CONTRACTOR NAME: CHESTERTOWN FOODS, INC.

PLANT ADDRESS : CHESTERTOWN MD

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PR	ICE PER
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)
005	HILLSIDE	NJ	40,000	\$	1.8600
006	VINELAND	NJ	80,000	\$	1.8550

TOTAL AWARDED: 120,000

CONTRACTOR NAME: TONY DOWNS FOODS CO. PLANT ADDRESS : MADELIA MN

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY	PR	RICE PER
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)
015	ST MICHAEL	MN	40,000	\$	1.9085
022	DES MOINES	IA	40,000	\$	1.9100

TOTAL AWARDED: 80,000

ANNOUNCEMENT : PY249
COMM GROUP : CHICKEN, FROZEN

INVITATION : 016

COMMODITY TYPE : CHICKEN, DICED, FROZEN

PACK SIZE : 40 LB CTN

CONTRACTOR NAME: VALLEY FRESH, INC.

PLANT ADDRESS : TURLOCK CA

DESTINATION	N	QUANTITY	PR	CICE PER
CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)
PHOENIX	ΑZ	40,000	\$	1.9050
LOS ANGELES	CA	40,000	\$	1.8964
SACRAMENTO	CA	120,000	\$	1.8880
SEATTLE	WA	20,000	\$	1.9142
SPOKANE	WA	20,000	\$	1.9142
SEATTLE WHSE	WA	40,000	\$	1.9059
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PLANT ADDRESS : TALMO GA

ITEM	DESTINATION		QUANTITY		RICE PER
NUM	CITY	ST	(LBS)	(LB)
003	BRONX	NY	28,000	\$	1.8964
	LATHAM	NY	12,000	\$	1.8964
004	BALTIMORE	MD	160,000	\$	1.8784
007	MOBILE	AL	10,000	\$	1.8900
	WINTER HAVEN	${ t FL}$	30,000	\$	1.8900
008	HUNTSVILLE	AL	21,200	\$	1.8845
	THEODORE	AL	18,800	\$	1.8845
009	WINTER HAVEN	${ t FL}$	40,000	\$	1.8721
010	LEXINGTON	KY	20,000	\$	1.8702
	LOUISVILLE	KY	20,000	\$	1.8702
011	JACKSON	MS	40,000	\$	1.8664
012	CHICAGO	$_{ m IL}$	40,000	\$	1.8739
013	COMSTOCK PARK	MI	30,000	\$	1.8837
	FLINT	MI	10,000	\$	1.8837
014	DETROIT	MI	30,000	\$	1.8794
	PONTIAC	MI	10,000	\$	1.8794
016	LITTLE ROCK	AR	40,000	\$	1.8716
017	ALEXANDRIA	LA	12,400	\$	1.8791
	KENNER	LA	27,600	\$	1.8791
018	OKLAHOMA CITY	OK	24,000	\$	1.8855
	TULSA	OK	16,000	\$	1.8855
019	DALLAS	TX	40,000	\$	1.8794
020	HOUSTON	TX	40,000	\$	1.8799

TOTAL AWARDED: 1,000,000 The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, religion, age, disability, political beliefs, sexual orientation, or marital or family status. (Not all prohibited bases apply to all programs.) Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD).

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